desh in 1989-90, 1800 were covered undrr the Centrally Sponsored Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP).

(b) Out of 1000 partially covered villages likely to be taken up for full coverage in 1990-91, 600 are likely to be under ARWSP.

Removal of encroachments in Yamuna Vihar, Delhi

1163. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether demolition orders had been issued a few months ago by DDA (Land Protection) to clear the encroachments in front of pockets C/12 of Yamuna Vihar Scheme, Delhi; and

(b) whether it is a fact that these encroachments have not yet been cleared; if so by when it is likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) Delhi Development Authority has reported that after the eviction order was passed by the Estate Officer a demolition programme was fixed but it could not materialise due to non availability of police force In the meantime, the encroachers have obtained stay orders from a civil court.

Connecting of Backward Areas of the States with Railways

1164. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleassed to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to connect backward areas of the States under Railways network;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering the construction of Railway line between Khurdha Road and Bolongir in Phulbani in Orissa as a part of the policy of Government to provide railways network to the backward areas; and

(c) if so, the steps taken thereon?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. A number of on-going new railway line projects are connecting backward areas of the States.

(b) and (c) A survey was carried out for Khurda Road-Balangir (289 Km) new BG railway line in 1986. The project was then estimated to cost Rs. 209 crores with 1% return on investment.

The proposal was sent to the Planning Commission for consideration and approval for development of backward areas during VIII Five Year Plan. Planning Commission has directed that the project be referred to the Working Group on Railway's Programmes for the VIII Five Year Plan. However, the sub-group for new lines had not identified any particular new line project for inc us on in the VIII plan document for consideration of the Working group but had only included a lumpsum kilometrage for new starts. Taking up of Khurda-Balangir project would, therefore, depend on availability of resources in the VIII Plan and the position this project will get in the overall national priorities.

Irrigation facilities in Tribal sub-plan areas

1165. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by Government to increase irrigation facilities in the tribal sub-plan areas;

(b) if so, what specific steps have been taken in that direction in the tribal subplan areas in Orissa in 7th Plan; and

(c) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) The necessity and importance of providing irrigation in Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) areas is being impressed continuously on the State Governments concerned.

(b) and (c) Under major and medium irrigation projects, additional irrigation potentials of 24.83 thousand hectares (THA) for Khariff, and 9·93 THA for Rabi were created in the TSP areas of Orissa during the first four years of the VII Plan. The target for 1989-90 was 32·65 THA for Khariff and 30·67 THA for Rabi.

Under minor irrigation (flow), the irrigation potential created in the TSP area of the State during VII Plan has been 8321 hectares for Khariff and 2922 hectares for Rabi. This includes the ragets for 1989-90.

Under minor irrigation (lift), 713 lift irrigation projects (LIPs) were installed and energised during the first four years of the VII Plan. And 14,412 hectares of irrigation potential were created. The LIPs continue to be operated and maintained